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REQUEST FOR FILING APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 53(b)
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This is a request for filing a new PATENT APPLICATION under Rule 53(b) entitled:

**IDENTIFICATION AND CLONING OF A MYCOBACTERIAL ANTIGEN CORRESPONDING TO A HEPARIN-BINDING
HAEMAGGLUTININ**

without a filing fee and/or without an executed inventor's oath/declaration.

This application is made by the below identified inventor(s). Attached hereto are the following papers:

An abstract together with
39 pages of specification and claims in French including
29 numbered claims and also attached is/are
11 sheets of accompanying drawings.

This application is based on the following prior foreign application(s):

Application No.	Country	Filing Date
96/06168	France	17 May 1996
PCT/FR97/00886	PCT	20 May 1997

respectively, and priority is hereby claimed therefrom.

This application is based on the following prior provisional application(s):

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Certified copy/ies of foreign applications attached.
 This application is a continuation/ division/ continuation-in-part of application Serial No. , filed .
 Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line: --This application is a continuation/ division/ continuation-in-part of application Serial No. , filed .
 Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line: --This is a continuation of PCT application No. PCT/FR97/00886, filed 20 May 1997.
 Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line: --This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. , filed .
 Preliminary amendment to claims (attached hereto), to be entered before calculation of the fee.
 Also attached.

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